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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE EVALUATION:

-- POSSIBLE INVITATION TO PRC TO ATTEND ORGAN-

-- IZING CONFERENCE

REF: TOKYO 13405

1. ON FRINGES OF TOKAI MURA NEGOTIATIONS, OKAWA OF MFA
SUGGESTED TO FARLEY THAT PRC BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN
INFCE, AND FARLEY TOLD OKAWA THAT QUESTION WOULD BE RE-
EXAMINED IN WASHINGTON. WE HAVE RECONSIDERED MATTER AND
REMAIN PERSUADED THAT NO USEFUL PURPOSE WOULD BE SERVED
BY INVITING PRC TO ATTEND ORGANIZING CONFERENCE OR PARTI-
CIPATE IN INFCE. YOU SHOULD INFORM OKAWA OF ABOVE.

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2. IN EXPLAINING RATIONALE FOR U.S. POSITION YOU SHOULD
REITERATE TO OKAWA POINTS ALREADY MADE BY FARLEY: CHINESE
HAVE TAKEN NO PART IN PEACEFUL NUCLEAR COOPERATION OR THE
IAEA, AND THEY HAVE NOT SUPPORTED THE PRINCIPLE OF NUCLEAR
NONPROLIFERATION. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE CHINESE
WOULD CONSIDER FAVORABLY AN INVITATION TO ATTEND CON-
FERENCE GIVEN THEIR PAST POSITIONS ON NONPROLIFERATION

ISSUES. THE PRC ALSO WOULD NOT NECESSARILY CONSIDER AN INVITATION TO SUCH A MEETING AS BEING A FRIENDLY GESTURE.

3. AS INDICATED IN PREVIOUS MESSAGES ON THIS SUBJECT, WE VIEW INFCE ORGANIZING CONFERENCE AS A NON-POLITICAL GATHERING TO GET BROAD AGREEMENT ON PRACTICAL MATTERS NECESSARY TO LAUNCH INFCE SUCH AS TOPICS TO BE STUDIED, ORGANIZATION OF NECESSARY WORKING GROUPS, MANNER OF PROCEEDING AND SCHEDULE FOR SUBSEQUENT STEPS. IN LIGHT OF KNOWN PRC ATTITUDES, WE DOUBT THEY WOULD MAKE CONSTRUCTIVE CONTRIBUTION TO ORGANIZING CONFERENCE OR TO SUBSEQUENT INFCE STUDIES.

4. IF WE RECEIVE ANY INDICATION OF A CHANGE IN PRC POSITION, WHICH WE DO NOT EXPECT, WE WOULD OF COURSE WISH TO REEVALUATE OUR POSITION. IN THE ABSENCE OF SUCH INDICATIONS HOWEVER, WE SEE NO REASON FOR PROFFERING AN INVITATION.

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